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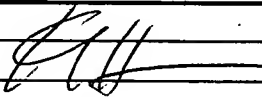
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METHOD TO COLD-START A FUEL CELL SYSTEM AT SUB-ZERO TEMPERATURES

The present invention concerns a method to cold-start a fuel cell system at
5 sub-zero temperatures.

One general problem of fuel cell systems is their start-up at low
temperatures, *i.e.*, at temperatures significantly below 0°C. For example, if a fuel cell
system is to be started at a temperature of -15°C, one at first uses a heating device
associated with the fuel cell system to heat the fuel cell system, in particular its stack of
10 membrane-electrode assemblies, to a temperature of for example +5°C, and only then starts
the fuel cell system. This is based on the consideration that the fuel cell system at first has
to be heated to a temperature, above which the water generated by the fuel cell system can
no longer freeze, which would create problems. The heating device may comprise a burner
to generate the required thermal energy, whereby the burner may for example be operated
15 with hydrogen that is also used as fuel for the fuel cell system. The heat generated by the
burner is used to heat a cooling fluid, which circulates in a coolant loop that during the
subsequent operation of the fuel cell stack serves to cool the fuel cell stack. The coolant
heated by the burner of the heating device circulates in the coolant loop and in this manner
transfers the thermal energy to the fuel cell stack to preheat the fuel cell stack.

20 The above-described pre-heating process must be completed in as short a
time period as possible, so that the fuel cell system can be started as quickly as possible,
even at low ambient temperatures. During this, a significant amount of heat has to be
transferred to the coolant in a short time period. This in turn means that a corresponding
air flow has to be supplied to the burner, which can only be accomplished with the help of
25 a powerful fan or a compressor. For this reason, the overall electrical power required prior
to the actual start of the fuel cell system is very high, since it is not only necessary to
operate the above-mentioned fan or compressor, but also the coolant circulating pump and
a control unit that controls the heating process. Since normally the fuel cell stack does not
generate any power during the heating process, the required electrical power is generally

provided by a correspondingly large dimensioned battery. This is undesirable for weight- and space related reasons, in particular for mobile fuel cell applications.

The objective of the invention is to provide an improved method for the cold-starting of a fuel cell system with lower battery energy requirements.

5 Starting with a fuel cell system with a fuel cell stack and a heating device connected upstream of the fuel cell stack to heat a cooling agent to be circulated by a coolant pump, the invention solves this problem by means of the following features: the cold fuel cell stack is operated at a capacity that generates enough power to operate the heating device and the coolant pump; the power generated by the fuel cell is used to
10 operate the heating device for heating the coolant and the coolant pump for circulating the coolant between the fuel cell stack and the heating device; the heating device is switched off as soon as the fuel cell stack has reached a preset temperature that is higher than the original temperature.

 The solution according to the invention is based on the capability of a fuel
15 cell system to run at sub-zero temperatures, at least under low load conditions and for a short period of time. It has been known that fuel cell systems can generate power at sub-zero temperatures, see for example U.S. Patent No. 5,798,186, but it is also known that a prolonged operation at sub-zero temperatures can lead to problems, for example due to ice formation in the lines for the reactant streams. For this reason, it was widely assumed that
20 the fuel cell stack is not really suitable as a power source during the cold-start of a fuel cell system. But the invention is based on the finding that even under conditions of this nature the fuel cell stack is able to deliver an amount of power that is at least sufficiently large to operate the heating device, preferably even to operate the coolant pump and an air compressor. The critical factor is the fact that the fuel cell stack can provide this amount of
25 power over a time period that is long enough to heat the fuel cell stack to a temperature above zero before ice formation sets in. Now, a battery or other energy source is only needed for the actual starting of the fuel cell system, but this battery can be much smaller than up to now, since immediately after the below-zero start-up of the fuel cell stack, the latter will provide power.

Preferably, the method according to the invention is implemented in such a way that the fuel cell system will be operated at a capacity that is just barely sufficient to provide the power that is necessary to operate the heating device, the coolant pump, and possibly necessary auxiliaries.

5 A further advantage of the method according to the invention is that the fuel cell stack generates heat immediately after its start-up at sub-zero temperatures, which results in a more rapid heating of the fuel cell stack and thus in a shorter waiting period before the fuel cell system can provide full power.

Even an interruption of the start-up process, which usually takes
10 approximately one minute, is no problem for the invention, since according to the invention the cold fuel cell stack can be operated at low load for a duration of several minutes, which allows three to four successive start-up processes using the method according to the invention.

In one embodiment of the method according to the invention, the preset
15 temperature is +5°C, *i.e.*, the heating device of the fuel cell system is switched off when the fuel cell stack has reached a temperature of +5°C. But it goes without saying that other preset temperatures can be used according to the invention, if these temperatures are sufficiently high to allow the respective fuel cell system to reach its operating temperature without additional external heat input. The present assumption in this regard is that for fuel
20 cell systems with solid polymer electrolytes these preset temperatures have to be above the freezing point, preferably close to or above +5°C.

In preferred embodiments of the method according to the invention, the heating device is a burner. This burner may for example be fuelled with hydrogen, which is of advantage since the fuel cell stack also requires hydrogen for its operation. If the
25 heating device is a burner, then the process of operating the cold fuel cell stack at low load to generate the required power is implemented so that sufficient power is generated to operate the auxiliaries necessary for the operation of the burner (starting device of the burner, fan or compressor for air supply, etc.). Of course, there also has to be sufficient power to operate the coolant pump.

The method according to the invention can realize cost advantages if a burner serves as heating device since neither the burner nor the heat exchanger or heat exchangers have to be rigorously designed for the lowest possible pressure loss, as has been the case traditionally in order to keep the electrical power needed to operate the heating device prior to the actual start-up of the fuel cell system as low as possible. For this reason, according to the invention, both the burner and the heat exchanger or heat exchangers can be designed to be smaller and thus cheaper and more compact.

If a burner serves as the heating device, the method according to the invention can realize further advantages by employing in a preferred embodiment one and the same air compressor to supply both the fuel cell stack and the burner with oxygen. This reduces the power requirements even further.

If in the method according to the invention one employs one and the same air compressor to supply air to both the burner and the fuel cell stack, then the air volume delivered by the air compressor preferably is divided between the burner and the fuel cell in a ratio that favours the burner. In one embodiment, this ratio is 4:1.

Preferably, one uses a high-performance gas burner as burner for the method according to the invention. Such a high-performance gas burner can deliver in a short amount of time the significant amount of heat that has to be transferred to the cooling agent. In preferred embodiment examples, the high-performance gas burner has a power output in a range of approximately 30 kW to 90 kW. Depending on the desired burner output, a burner of this type requires an air mass flow rate of between approximately 50 kg/hr and 300 kg/hr during operation. As mentioned before, one preferably uses hydrogen to operate the burner.

Thus the present invention overall provides a significantly improved method for cold-starting a fuel cell system at sub-zero temperatures, in which the desired short “start-up times” can be achieved despite the lower battery-power requirements and lower space requirements for the smaller components. The term “start-up time” denotes the time period that passes for a cold fuel cell system, before the fuel cell stack is able to deliver its full power.

The enclosed single figure uses the example of a fuel cell stack with a heating device that is connected upstream thereof or integrated therein to illustrate a preferred embodiment example of the method according to the invention.

The single figure shows a diagrammatic representation of a fuel cell stack 10 with one anode 12 and one cathode 14. Hydrogen is supplied to the anode 12 from a source (not shown) via a line 16. Via a line 18, the cathode 14 is supplied with oxygen in the form of air, which has been compressed by a compressor 20. In a manner known in the art, which for this reason will not be explained in more detail, the fuel cell stack 10 during its operation uses the supplied hydrogen and oxygen to produce power and water.

For the purpose of cooling the fuel cell stack 10 during its operation, the fuel cell stack 10 is connected in a heat-exchanging manner to a cooling loop 22, which uses a heat exchanger 23, which is arranged in the cooling loop 22 and is executed as a radiator, to dissipate the excess heat that is produced during the operation of the fuel cell stack 10. The cooling loop 22 also has a heat-exchanging connection to a heating device 24, which during a start-up phase supplies heat to the cooling agent circulating in the cooling loop 22, so that the fuel cell stack 10 can be heated more rapidly to operating temperature from very low ambient temperatures.

In the shown embodiment example, the heating device 24 comprises a high-performance gas burner 26 that is operated with hydrogen and produces hot gas, whereby an additional heat exchanger 28 is used to transfer the thermal energy of the hot gas to the cooling agent circulating in the cooling loop 22. The gas burner 26 is supplied with hydrogen via a line 30, which branches off the line 16. In a mixer 32 upstream of the gas burner 26, hydrogen is mixed with the particular volume of air that is necessary to achieve proper combustion, whereby the compressor 20 delivers this air into the line 18. Control valves 34 and 36 effect the desired distribution of the hydrogen flow and the air flow between the fuel cell stack 10 and the gas burner 26 or mixer 32.

A coolant pump 38 is responsible for circulating the cooling agent through the cooling loop 22. As shown in the figure, the cooling loop 22 typically is a closed loop. In the shown embodiment example, the heat exchanger 23 used to cool the cooling agent

during operation is a different heat exchanger than the heat exchanger 28 that is used to heat the cooling agent during the start-up phase, but it is also possible for the heat exchangers 23 and 28 to employ common components or to be integrated into each other.

The shown arrangement operates as follows: At first the compressor 20 is
5 started with the help of a battery (not shown) and the hydrogen supply via the line 16 is opened, so that air and hydrogen are fed to the fuel cell stack 10. The fuel cell stack 10 commences operation and is set by its control system to operate at low load, *e.g.*, at approximately 10% of its rated power. The power generated by the fuel cell stack 10 is now used to drive the compressor 20, the coolant pump 38, as well as all auxiliaries
10 necessary for the operation of the heating device 24 and the fuel cell stack 10. The heating device 24, in particular its gas burner 26, is started and the hot gas generated by it heats the cooling agent in the cooling loop 22, which is circulated through the cooling loop 22 by the coolant pump 38. In this operating state, the heat exchanger 23 is not operating, *i.e.*, either it is not supplied with cooling agent or the cooling agent circulating in the cooling loop 22
15 is carried past the heat exchanger 23, for example by means of a bypass line (not shown) that bypasses the heat exchanger 23.

As soon as the fuel cell stack 10 has reached the temperature required for normal operation, for example +5°C, the gas burner 26 is switched off and the fuel cell stack 10 can be operated at a higher load, or at full load, if required. In this operating state
20 the cooling loop 22 serves its actual purpose, namely cooling the fuel cell stack 10 by means of the heat exchanger 23.

In the following, we will use an example to further explain the application of the method of the present invention in a fuel cell system.

For the experiment, we employed a polymer-electrolyte-membrane fuel cell
25 stack with an output power of approximately 85 kW. This fuel cell stack can be operated for approximately 3 to 4 minutes at -15°C and at a load of approximately 5% to 10% of its nominal output power, *i.e.*, with an output power of approximately 4 to 7 kW, before one faces problems due to ice formation or similar factors.

According to the method according to the invention, the fuel cell system only has to be supplied with a quantity of heat that is sufficient to heat the fuel cell stack from -15°C to a temperature from which the fuel cell stack can reach its operating temperature on its own without outside help. In the fuel cell systems under investigation, this temperature was assumed to be $+5^{\circ}\text{C}$. To be able to carry out three to four subsequent start-up processes in rapid succession, each of the start-up processes has to be completed in less than approximately 1 minute.

To heat the fuel cell stack from -15°C to $+5^{\circ}\text{C}$, one has to introduce a computed quantity of heat between 1800 and 2200 kJ into the cooling agent. It is desirably to transfer this amount of heat to the cooling agent within approximately 40 seconds, so that during the remaining 20 seconds the cooling agent can transfer the absorbed heat to the actual fuel cell stack. The listed requirements translate into a power of approximately 45 to 55 kW, which the burner has to be able to generate and the heat exchanger has to be able to transfer. For the burner to generate this quantity of heat, approximately 200 kg/hr of air have to be carried to the burner and subsequently to the heat exchanger. Assuming that an additional 3 to 50 kg/hr of air have to be supplied to the fuel cell stack during the same time period in order for the fuel cell stack to generate the required electrical power, the compressor has to be able to deliver a flow of approximately 230 to 250 kg/hr during the start-up process. In dependence on the pressure gradient that the compressor has to produce, this corresponds to approximately 2 to 5 kW of electrical power that have to be supplied to the compressor. Added to this must be the electrical power of approximately 800 W required by the coolant pump and the approximately 500 W that are needed by additional loads, such as sensors, control systems, etc., so that the fuel cell stack has to generate approximately $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $6\frac{1}{2}$ kW of electrical power during the start-up process.

As explained above, the fuel cell stack is able to generate an output power of this level already during the start-up process, which makes it possible to use a smaller starter battery. A starter battery that only has to be able to start the fuel cell stack only needs an output power of not more than 1.5 kW for less than 5 seconds, whereas a battery that also has to provide power during a cold-start process has to be able to provide a power

output of at least approximately 6 kW for up to 60 seconds. Obviously, a 1.5 kW battery is significantly smaller and cheaper than a 6 kW battery.

The above-mentioned embodiment examples and application examples are only to be considered as examples. It goes without saying that in particular the listed
5 numerical values can differ from one fuel cell system to the next fuel cell system in dependence on the chosen design and the nominal output power.

CLAIMS

1. Method to cold-start a fuel cell system at sub-zero temperatures, whereby the fuel cell system includes a fuel cell stack, upstream of which is connected a heating device to heat a cooling agent to be circulated by a coolant pump, comprising the following steps:

operating the fuel cell stack at an output power in such a way that the generated power is adequate to operate the heating device and the coolant pump,

using the power provided by the fuel cell stack to operate the heating device for the heating of the cooling agent as well as the coolant pump, and circulating the cooling agent between the fuel cell stack and the heating device,

shutting off the heating device when the fuel cell stack has reached a preset temperature that is higher than the original temperature.

2. Method according to claim 1, characterized in that the preset temperature is at least 0 degrees Celsius.

3. Method according to claim 1, characterized in that the preset temperature is at least +5 degrees Celsius.

4. Method according to one of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that the fuel cell stack is operated at a capacity, which does not exceed 10% of the nominal output power of the fuel cell system, until the preset temperature has been reached.

5. Method according to one of claims 1 to 4, characterized in that the heating device is a burner.

6. Method according to claim 5, characterized in that to operate the burner, power is provided from the fuel cell stack to the auxiliaries necessary for the operation of the burner.

7. Method according to claim 5 or 6, characterized in that the burner is operated with hydrogen.

8. Method according to one of claims 5 to 7, characterized in that one and the same air compressor is used to supply oxygen to the fuel cell stack and to the burner.

9. Method according to one of claims 5 to 8, characterized in that the burner is a high-performance gas burner.

10. Method according to claim 8 or 9, characterized in that the air volume provided by the air compressor is divided between the burner and the fuel cell stack with a ratio that favours the burner.

11. Method according to claim 10, characterized in that the air volume provided by the air compressor is divided between the burner and the fuel cell stack with a 4:1 ratio.

12. Method according to one of claims 1 to 11, characterized in that the fuel cell stack is a solid-polymer-electrolyte fuel cell stack.

13. Method according to one of claims 1 to 12, characterized in that the fuel cell system is equipped with a starter battery.

14. Method according to claim 13, characterized in that the starter battery is dimensioned to supply electrical power to the auxiliaries necessary for the supply of reactants to the fuel cell stack until the fuel cell stack itself generates electrical power.

15. Method according to claim 13 or 14, characterized in that in a first stage the starter battery supplies power to the auxiliaries necessary for the supply of reactants to the fuel cell stack, and that this power feed is interrupted when the fuel cell stack generates electrical power.

ABSTRACT

The invention concerns a method to cold-start a fuel cell system at sub-zero temperatures, whereby the fuel cell system comprises a fuel cells stack, upstream of which is connected a heating device to heat a cooling agent to be circulated by a coolant pump. To reduce the demand for stored electrical energy, the method stipulates the following: the cold fuel cell stack is operated at such a capacity that it generates sufficient power to operate the heating device and the coolant pump; the power generated by the fuel cell stack is used to operate the heating device for heating the cooling agent as well as the coolant pump, whereby the coolant pump circulates the cooling agent between the fuel cell stack and the heating device; the heating device is switched off as soon as the fuel cell stack reaches a preset temperature that is higher than the original temperature.

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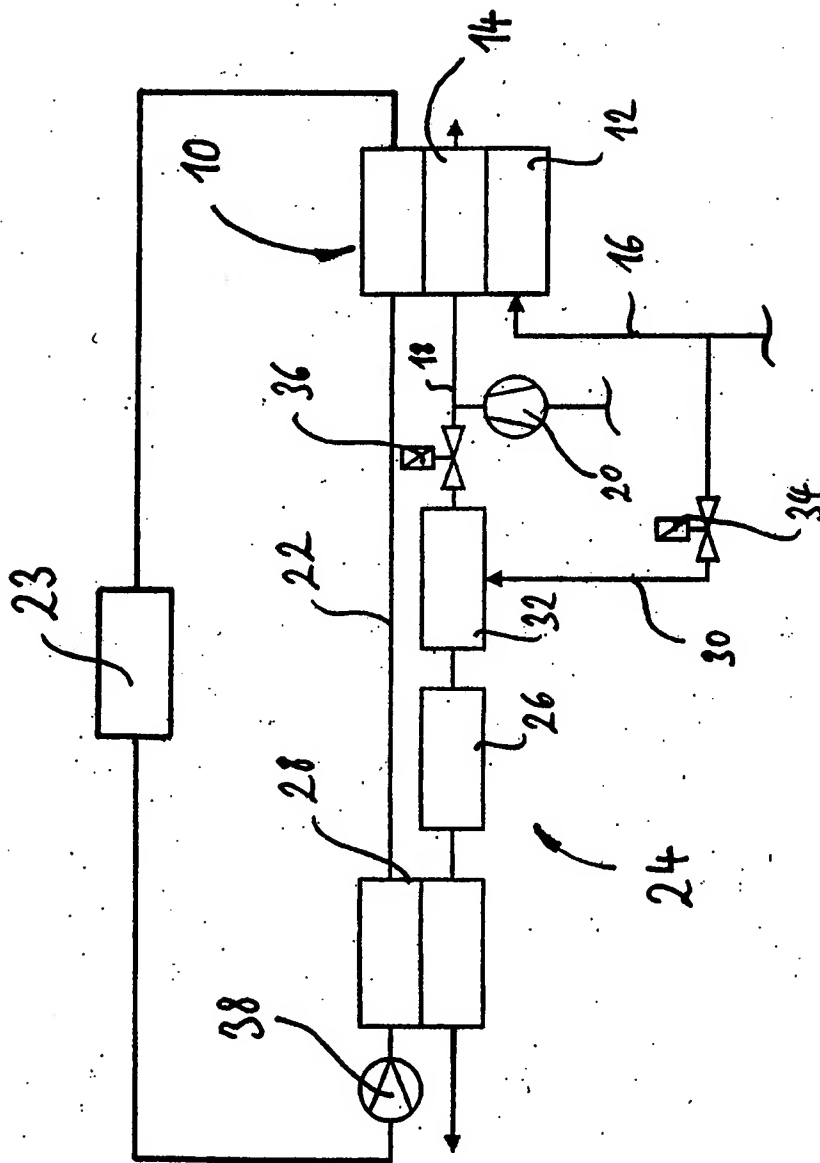


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